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A method for efficiently utilizing register file resources, comprising the steps of:

- (1) executing an instruction having two operands to produce an integer result, said operands are stored in a register file; wherein said register file includes an integer register [file] set and a floating point register [file] set; wherein said instruction indicates the location of said operands;
- (2) accessing said integer register [file] set or said floating point register [file] set to retrieve said operands based on said instruction; and
- (3) storing said integer result in said integer register [file] set or said floating point register [file] set based on said instruction.

## Personal Interview with Examiner

A personal interview was held between Applicants' representatives, Donald J. Featherstone, Reg. No. 33,876 and Eric B. Janofsky, and Examiner Larry Donaghue, on Wednesday, October 20, 1999. Agreement was reached during the interview involving the Applicants filing a Third Preliminary Amendment cancelling claim 43 and amending claim 42. Applicants also agreed to file a Terminal Disclaimer. Applicants wish to thank Examiner Donaghue for a helpful and constructive interview.



